UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Case No. 2:21-cr-20377

Plaintiff,

HONORABLE STEPHEN J. MURPHY, III

v.

KEVIN FRANKLIN,

Defendant.

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION [49]

Defendant Kevin Franklin was indicted for possession of a firearm in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1). ECF 14, PgID 28. He voluntarily consented to a plea hearing before a United States Magistrate Judge. ECF 46, PgID 258. Defendant appeared for a plea hearing before Magistrate Judge David R. Grand and pleaded guilty to felon in possession of a firearm and to being an armed career criminal. ECF 49, PgID 262–63.

Judge Grand issued a report and recommendation. ECF 49. He found that Defendant was competent to enter a guilty plea and that he did so "knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily, without coercion." *Id.* at 263. He also found that "the offense to which [Defendant] Franklin pleaded guilty is supported by an independent basis in fact containing each of the essential elements of the offense." *Id.* Based on his findings, Judge Grand recommended that "[Defendant's] guilty plea be accepted, [Defendant] be adjudged guilty of the offense charged, and that the Court impose the

sentence it determines is appropriate." Id. No party objected to the report and

recommendation. See id. at 264 (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(2)).

After a careful review of the record and Magistrate Judge Grand's report and

recommendation, ECF 49, the Court finds that Judge Grand's conclusions are

factually based and legally sound. Accordingly, the Court will adopt the findings of

the report and recommendation and proceed to sentencing, which is set for August

17, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 216.

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that the Court ADOPTS the findings

of the report and recommendation [49].

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court ACCEPTS Defendant's plea of

guilt.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that sentencing is SET for August 17, 2023 at

11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 216.

SO ORDERED.

s/ Stephen J. Murphy, III STEPHEN J. MURPHY, III

United States District Judge

Dated: May 2, 2023

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon the parties

and/or counsel of record on May 2, 2023, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

s/ David P. Parker

Case Manager

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